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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b))

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Title: A METHOD OF JOINING OPTICAL FIBER PREFORMS AND APPARATUS THEREFOR  
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1. ☒ \* Fee Transmittal Form  
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2. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 22]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)

- Descriptive title of the Invention
- Cross References to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R&D
- Reference to Microfiche Appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description

3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. § 113) [Total Sheets 8]

4. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 2]

- a. ☒ Executed (original or copy)
- b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 16 completed)
- i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

5. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

6. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)

- a. ☐ Computer Readable Copy
- b. ☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
- c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

7. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
8. ☐ 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☒ Power of Attorney
9. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
10. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
11. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
12. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(should be specifically itemized)
14. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
15. ☐ Other:

16. If a **CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment:

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Prior application information: Examiner:

Group / Art Unit:

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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003

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Application Number	To Be Assigned
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Group / Art Unit	To Be Assigned
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## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
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1001	770	Utility filing fee	<u>770.00</u>
1002	340	Design filing fee	
1003	530	Plant filing fee	
1004	770	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)**770.00**

### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	20 - 20** =	x 18 =	00.00
Independent Claims	2 - 3** =	x 86 =	00.00
Multiple Dependent		0 =	0.00

\*\*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see below

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1202	18	Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	290	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid 0
1204	86	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051	130	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	420	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	950	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,480	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,010	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	330	Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,330	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,330	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	480	Design issue fee	
1503	640	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	770	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a))	
1810	770	For each additional invention to be examined (37 C.F.R. § 1.129(b))	
1801	770	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

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